

Rain Tonight and Monday; Warmer.

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## BRYAN TO BE ASKED TO MAKE A SPEECH AT BIG LOVE FEAST

Leaders Will Invite Him to Great Mass Meeting in Baltimore.

### PLATFORM TALK WILL BE AVOIDED

Event in January to Be Celebration of Recent Achievements, and Nothing More.

### Plans for Democratic Love Feast.

Thousand party leaders, including governors and State chairmen, plan to gather at Baltimore national rally January 17, with Bryan as chief entertainer.

Mr. Bryan will be asked to attend, and to speak, it is understood, and is moving spirit behind the project.

Platforms and candidates will be carefully avoided, it being thought best to leave such issues to Congress caucuses of the national convention.

As a result of the serious chance of mind on the part of the Democratic leaders who met in Baltimore yesterday to frame up a party policy conference, William Jennings Bryan, who frowned on the idea, not only will be invited to attend, but probably will be asked to make a speech.

Instead of a policy conference, it was decided to hold a love feast, jollification, and banquet January 17 in Baltimore. Mr. Bryan could consistently attend. He could not on the other hand, and would not, participate in a gathering designed to frame up a platform binding any Democrat to follow any line of action.

The character of the gathering which it was finally decided to entertain in Baltimore is vastly different from the one originally conceived, and which Mr. Bryan said he could see no use of. There will be no attempt to tie anybody to any kind of a party program or any suggestion offered as to the kind of a program the leaders might agree upon.

When the movement for the general conference was first started by Senators Smith and Rayner and Governor Crothers, of Maryland, the idea was that the Democrats of the country needed to get their heads together and agree upon some definite line of action. It was intended that a program be adopted which would prevent the likelihood of a series of Democratic blunders such as the party had suffered by in the past.

Agreement Too Hard. This is wherein the change of mind took place. Champ Clark and Norman E. Mack, the two Democratic leaders who conferred with the Marylanders yesterday, urged that it would be folly to undertake to get four or five hundred Democrats hailing from all sections of the country, to agree upon any definite program.

Mr. Clark was particularly emphatic in his position that an unofficial and unauthorized assembly such as proposed would result in nothing. He said that the place to formulate a Democratic platform was at a national Democratic convention where delegates officially chosen could get together and agree upon the attitude of the party toward public questions.

The place to map out a program for the Democratic members of Congress, added Mr. Clark, was in the caucus rooms of the House and Senate. Any action taken there he said would be binding and would involve the responsibility of those participating in the caucus, to carry out the convictions of the majority.

Mr. Mack took exactly the same position as did Mr. Clark with the result that their views prevailed. Senator Smith, who is regarded as one of the most astute politicians in Congress, (Continued on Page Sixteen.)

## WEATHER REPORT.

A change to warmer weather will overspread the middle Atlantic States and the upper Ohio valley tonight, and a marked fall in temperature is indicated for the upper Lake region, the lower Ohio valley, Tennessee, and the East Gulf States tonight and Monday. Storm warnings are displayed on the Great Lakes, except Ontario, and on the Pacific Coast from Eureka northward.

FORECAST FOR DISTRICT. Rain tonight and Monday; warmer to-night. Moderate to brisk east to south-east winds.

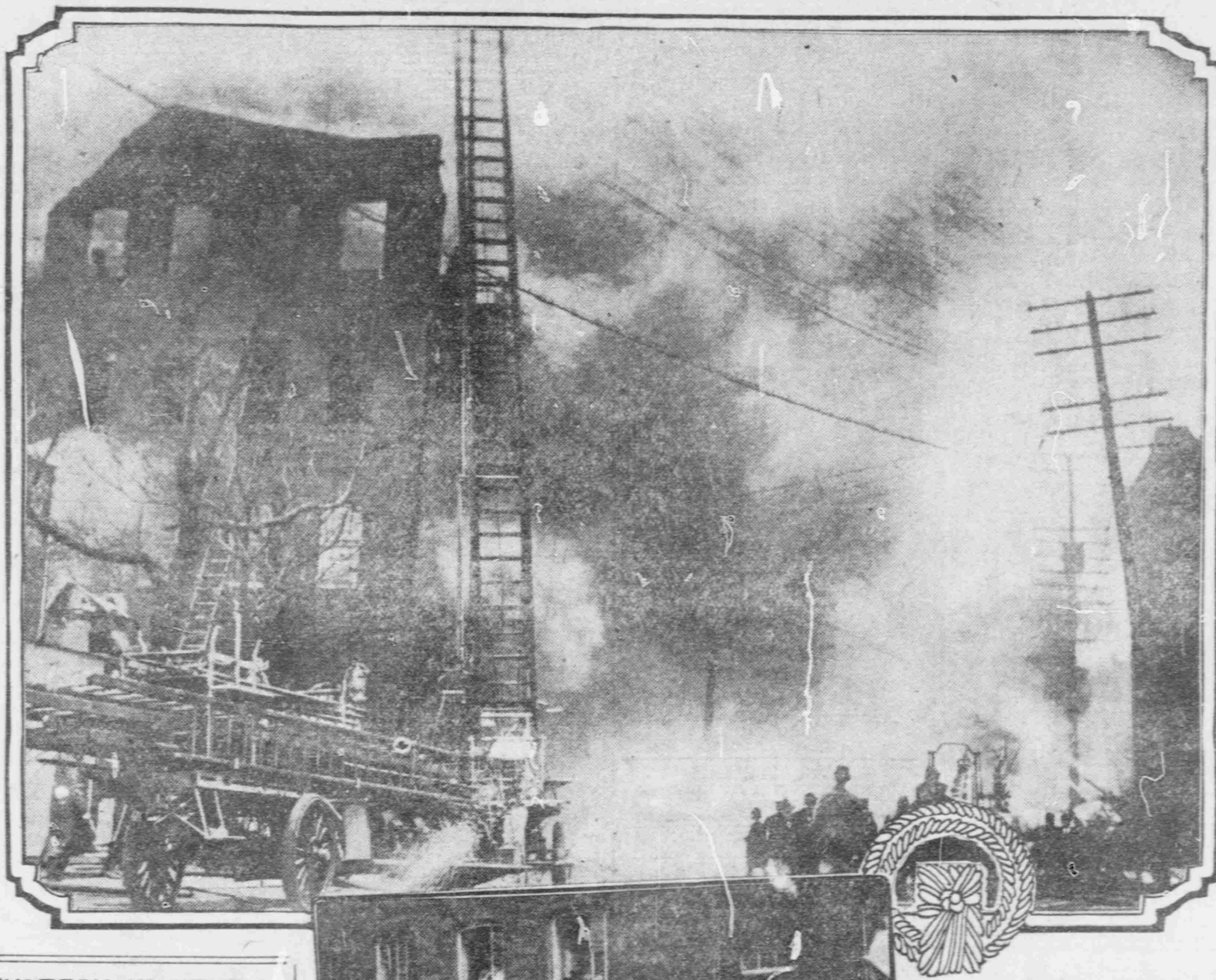
TEMPERATURES.  
8 a. m. .... 31  
9 a. m. .... 32  
10 a. m. .... 33  
11 a. m. .... 34  
12 noon .... 35  
1 p. m. .... 36  
2 p. m. .... 37

TIDE TABLE.  
Today—High tide, 4:54 a. m. and 5:08 p. m.; low tide, 11:52 a. m. and 12:02 p. m.  
Tomorrow—High tide, 5:45 a. m. and 5:52 p. m.; low tide, 12 a. m.

SUN TABLE.  
Sun rises ..... 6:52  
Sun sets ..... 4:41  
CONDITION OF THE RIVERS.  
HARPERS FERRY, W. Va., Nov. 27.—Both rivers clear this morning.

## FIVE MORE BODIES FOUND THIS MORNING IN RUINS OF BURNED FACTORY AT NEWARK

FLOODING THE NEWARK RUINS TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO SEARCH FOR BODIES.



## MYSTERY IN DEATH OF YOUNG STUDENT

Takes Headache Powder and Soon Lapses Into Unconsciousness.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 27.—Leroy P. Scott, of Buffalo, N. Y., a senior in the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania, is dead in the university hospital under circumstances which have necessitated investigation by the coroner.

Physicians at the hospital believe Scott's story that he took an overdose of headache powders, but notified the police that the case should be investigated for further developments. Scott was found unconscious in a room in the dormitory of 52 Morris House. This room is occupied by an intimate friend, who is away over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Scott has lived for two years in a boarding house at 32 South Thirty-seventh street. According to George Burton, who kept the house, he had been of the happiest disposition, but recently had become nervous. This physical condition Mr. Burton ascribed to overwork. Scott has been working early and late at the southeast dispensary.

Mr. Burton's theory is that Scott went to his friend's room to try and obtain sleep away from the noises of the students' boarding house. To induce sleep he took headache powders. During the night Scott was brought to consciousness by the physicians in the university hospital and told them that he must have taken an overdose of the powder.

Shortly afterward he lapsed into a state of coma again and died while unconscious early today.

## TAFT SPENDS DAY WRITING MESSAGE

Today will be memorable at the White House as one of the busiest Sundays ever spent by a President in preparing an annual message to Congress.

With the exception of a brief automobile ride, just before dinner, President Taft has spent practically the entire day dictating portions of the message. He did not attend church this morning, but remained steadfastly at work until 1 o'clock.

Secretary Norton arrived early and was closeted with the President all morning. There was considerable activity in the Executive Offices, and the evidences were many that all the officials of the White House, felt the strain which actually impends during the closing days of the preparation of a message.

No callers were received, and, but for the activity of the officials, one might have imagined the President was not in the city.

## ACCIDENTAL SHOT HITS HUNTER IN LEG

While George D. Crosby was hunting near Ardmore, Md., he was accidentally shot in the leg by Bernard Brady. A charge of bird shot entered his right leg and he was taken to Emergency Hospital this morning, where the shot was removed. Later in the day he was taken to his home.

## FIVE STILL MISSING AND FIVE WILL DIE

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 27.—Thirty known dead, five more believed to be buried in the ruins, five so critically injured that they will not live through the day, and ten others in hospitals, who are believed to have fatal burns, was the reckoning made today in the fire which swept the four-story factory building at 216-218 High street.

The bodies of five were taken from the ruins this morning and an equal number who are missing are now being sought under the heap of charred and twisted debris.

There are eight bodies in the morgue that cannot possibly be identified, and together with the five recovered today, will be buried together in one hearse.

grave tomorrow. Those who were identified were removed to their homes and their funerals will be conducted privately by their relatives.

Searching the Ruins. All night long, firemen poured streams of water on the ruined building, and at 8 o'clock this morning it had cooled off sufficiently to permit them to enter. Then the search began.

One by one five bodies were extricated. These were at once removed to the morgue in the police wagons and the ambulances.

Church bells ringing their congratulations to the morning services all over (Continued on Page Sixteen.)

## VETERAN IS FOUND DEAD BY PASSERBY

While passing the Soldiers' Home power-house on his way to church this morning, Benjamin F. Turner stumbled across the prostrate body of an aged man.

An examination proved the man to be dead, and upon his removal to the Soldiers' Home hospital the body was identified as that of Dennis McCarthy, an inmate of the home.

Dr. J. R. Robertson said he believed the men had been dead several hours and attributed his death to exposure. He had been in the hospital several times since he entered the home in 1909 for heart trouble and other ailments.

Coroner Nevitt was notified a few minutes after 10 o'clock.

McCarthy came to this country from Ireland shortly after the civil war and enlisted in 1864. He was honorably discharged after twenty-five years' service and entered the Soldiers' Home in 1900.

FALL FROM LADDER FRACTURES SHOULDER

Calvin Kennedy, of Linwood Road, Taken to Hospital After Accident.

Calvin Kennedy, of 224 1/2 Linwood road southwest, was taken to Emergency Hospital shortly after noon today suffering from a fracture of the shoulder and bruises sustained from falling off a ladder.

Mr. Kennedy is forty years old. His condition is not serious.

## HUSKY MEN WANTED FOR POLICE FORCE

Applicants Do Not Measure Up to Physical Requirements.

Wanted—Six policemen.

Half a dozen vacancies exist today in the Metropolitan Police Force and Major Richard W. Sylvester, has no eligibles with which to fill them.

In the past month more than twenty-five applicants have been examined by the Board of Police and Fire Surgeons, and none of this number met the physical requirements.

"It is a pretty good sign that all the District's husky citizens are employed," said Major Sylvester today, "who we can't find a single eligible man to fill these vacancies. It is an unusual condition. Not often since I have been at the head of the Washington department has such a dearth existed."

## FARMER IS FOUND DYING IN ROAD

Empty Wagon Shows Evidence of Struggle With Thieves Met on Way Home.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Nov. 27.—With empty baskets and the butt of a whip in the buggy as mute evidence of what police believe to have been a struggle with thieves, the body of Marcellus Nottzinger, farmer, was found this morning on Stone road, lying beside his buggy.

It is believed he fell out of his buggy while being robbed and left injured. Nottzinger is dying.

## EIGHT ARE BURNED IN A BUFFALO FIRE

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 27.—Eight people were burned, two firemen almost suffocated, and a policeman injured in a fire that occurred early today in a rooming house at 14 Evans street. That there was not a heavy loss of life is due to the fire's breaking out an hour after everyone was up and about. So rapidly did the flames spread, however, that the escape of many living on upper floors was cut off, and the prompt work of hook and ladder companies saved them. Eight of them suffered burns, none, however, regarded as fatal. The two firemen were carried out of the basement where they had fallen in clouds of smoke.

A comrade happened to stumble over their bodies. Finding them cuffed through the helmet of Patrolman Donohue, and he was taken to the hospital with a severe scalp wound. The building was destroyed. A gas leak and explosion was the cause of the blaze.

## HORSES RESCUED FROM STABLE FIRE

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 27.—Fire shortly after 3 o'clock this morning destroyed the stable belonging to James W. Gillespie, a hotel proprietor at Taylor and Church streets. Three horses were rescued. The origin of the fire is not known.

## GIRL CHARGED WITH ATTEMPT TO KILL THREE

Fifteen-Year-Old Negress Under Arrest, Facing Accusation of Her Employer, Mrs. Ada Oertley, of Trying to Asphyxiate Family.

## TRIPLE TRAGEDY NARROWLY AVERTED

Mother Wakens to Find Doors Tightly Closed and Gas Flowing From Open Jet, With Tip Removed—Gives Reasons for Suspicions.

### Incidents in Alleged Attempt at Triple Murder.

Mrs. Ada H. Oertley, 1217 Quincy street northeast, discovers gas turned on in bed room, and lives of three in danger.

Investigation made by family convinces woman that foul play has been attempted, and police are called in.

Fifteen-year-old colored maid is suspected, and after examination is arrested on complaint of Mrs. Oertley, and charged with attempting murder.

Colored maid, locked up in House of Detention, denies that she knows anything of affair, and protests her innocence.

Premonition of impending danger awakened Mrs. Ada H. Oertley, of 1217 Quincy street northeast, early this morning, and frustrated the attempt of an unidentified intruder to murder her, her six-year-old daughter Margaret, and her husband, David H. Oertley, by turning on the gas in the Oertley's bed room, closing the door tightly and leaving them to die in their sleep.

Fifteen-year-old Nellie Johnson, a negro house maid, is charged with the attempt to kill the Oertleys. She is at the House of Detention formally accused of attempted murder. She denies that she had anything to do with the occurrence which so narrowly missed being a triple tragedy, but Mrs. Oertley accuses her.

"At that time I was satisfied there was nothing wrong, and so went back to sleep. It could have been no more than a few moments, however, when I was roused to full consciousness again, and as soon as I collected my faculties I recognized the strong odor of gas. The room was filled with it."

"I shook Mr. Oertley and he climbed out of bed in the darkness and started from the room without striking a light. He bumped into the bed room door, tightly shut. We never close our bed room door. When the windows were opened and the room cleared of the gas an investigation showed that the gas jet, which I knew to have been securely turned off at the time we retired, was completely opened. Moreover, the tip had been removed to allow a freer influx of the poison. The tip we found carefully placed on the dressing stand a few feet away."

Police Summoned.

"Mr. Oertley and I examined the child. She had been no more affected by the gas than had we. Fortunately, there was no need to call a physician."

"Mr. Oertley hurriedly dressed, and, without disturbing the girl, who was still apparently asleep in her hall bedroom, went outside and called up the Tenth precinct."

Policeman Bryan was detailed to investigate the occurrence, and, after questioning Mr. Oertley, and hearing the direct accusation by Mrs. Oertley, placed the girl under arrest.

When questioned by the police, the girl stoutly defended herself, and denied that she had anything to do with the affair. She was taken to the House of Detention, where she is held pending further action by the authorities.

Tomorrow the girl's record with the Board of Children's Guardians will be thoroughly gone into. Her age will probably preclude her being taken before the City or District Courts, and it is thought probable that the question of the girl's guilt will be another knotty problem for Judge De Lacey, of the Juvenile Court.

Recalls Clarkson Case.

The arrest of the girl recalls an instance in ways similar which confronted the police of Washington last May and led to the arrest of a negro woman named Nannie Clarkson, of 1617 Evans street, on a double charge of assault with intent to kill.

The Clarkson woman was employed by a family named Barrow, who lived at that time at 5 Dupont circle. On May 3 last she was taken to the hospital with serious illness, following their indulgence in breakfast coffee. The coffee which analyzed was found to have contained rough-on-rats, and Flora A. Barrow lodged a charge of assault with intent to kill. When the case was called in Police Court, June 7 last, Mary E. Barrow added a similar charge.

"Felt Something Wrong."

"This was the situation when we retired last night. I listened and thought I heard light footfalls in the room. A moment later I heard the creaking of the cot in the hall room."

BOY KILLS FATHER TO SAVE MOTHER

Raymond Deeren, Only Eighteen Years Old, Comes From His Home Near Derwent, Ohio, and Surrenders to the Toledo Police.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Nov. 27.—Raymond Deeren, eighteen years old, is charged with having shot and killed his father, Al Deeren, early today at their home near Derwent.

The father had been in Pleasant City and, it is claimed, entered the house threatening to kill the whole family. While the frightened mother was telephoning for help it is declared that Deeren struck her down and was

tuning to strike her aged father who tried to interfere, when the son entered the home and shot his father through the head. The boy immediately came to this city and surrendered himself.

Birmingham Special.

On and after Sunday, Nov. 27, Southern Railway's Birmingham Special leaving Washington 4:25 p. m., daily, will carry Pullman Observation sleeping car to Atlanta and Birmingham.—Adv.